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*Guthrie*, Captain CRAKE, will be

despatched for the above

Port on SATURDAY, the 9th instant, at

4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 6, 1889. 428

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

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DAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL

AND BREMEN.)

The Steamship

*Iphigenia*, Captain L. VONNER, will be

despatched for the above

Port on SUNDAY, the 10th instant, at

10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 1, 1889. 397

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship

*Arratoon*, Captain J. G. OLIPHANT,

will be despatched for the

above Ports on SUNDAY, the 10th Inst.

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Hongkong, March 7, 1889. 436

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AND ADRIATIC PORTS.)

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*Amphitrite*, Capt. L. LEMESTON, will

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on MONDAY, the 11th Inst., at Noon.

For further Particulars, regarding Freight

and Passage, apply to the AGENCY of the

Company, Praya Central.

O. RACHRACH,

Agent.

Hongkong, March 2, 1889. 402

FOR SHANGAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship

*Moray*, DUNCAN, Commander, will be

despatched for the above Ports on the 11th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BEL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 4, 1889. 420

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGA-

SAKI AND KOBE.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s

Steamship

*Arion*, will leave for the above

place on FRIDAY, 15th Inst., at Noon.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.

Hongkong, March 2, 1889. 403

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND

PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

The Co.'s Steamship

*Changsha*, WILLIAMS, Commander, will

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are situated forward of the Engines.

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the supply of Fresh Provisions during the

entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is

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Hongkong, February 25, 1889. 387

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MURRAY, WATSON & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, December 17, 1888. 313

## Intimations.

### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

TENDERS ARE INVITED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SCREW STEAM VESSEL FOR THE SELANGOR GOVERNMENT. Tenders should be sealed and sent to the BRITISH RESIDENT, SELANGOR, via Singapore, to reach Selangor not later than noon on the 1st May, 1889.

Further information may be obtained from the COLONIAL SECRETARY at Hongkong.

F. A. SWETTENHAM, British Resident, SELANGOR.

Kuala Lumpur, 25th January, 1889. 338

### HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

#### SPOON COMPETITION.

200 YARDS, 10 SHOTS.

NEXT SATURDAY, 9th March, 4 o'clock p.m.

POSITION—Standing or Kneeling. Penalties on previous Winners at this Range withdrawn. Members' attention is called to Rule No. 7.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 26, 1889. 366

### GREEN ISLAND COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

HOLDERS OF SHARES in this Company who are NOT FULLY PAID are requested to PAY UP THE BALANCE, \$10 per Share, to C. EWENS before the 15th instant.

On or before the 15th instant, All Holders of SHARES in this Company can apply to C. EWENS, together with a Payment of \$5 per Share, to receive an ALLOWANCE OF ONE NEW SHARE in the GREEN ISLAND COMPANY, LIMITED, in respect of every Two Old Shares which they hold in the GREEN ISLAND COMPANY, LAMBERT.

C. EWENS, General Manager, Hongkong, March 5, 1889. 423

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY (LIMITED).

IN CONSEQUENCE of the APPLICATION FOR SHARES having greatly exceeded the SHARES to be ALLOCATED, I am unable to receive any further Applications, except from Shareholders.

C. EWENS, General Manager, Hongkong, March 5, 1889. 424

### CLERK OF WORKS.

WANTED a COMPETENT MAN, a CARPENTER by Trade preferred; also a FARMER who can speak Chinese. Applications by Letter stating Wages, &c., to be sent to:

MR. S. JOHN H. HANCOCK, c/o, 3, Beaconsfield Arcade, Hongkong, March 2, 1889. 399

### THE ANNUAL HIGHLAND GAMES OF 1889.

1st BATTALION ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS will take place

On the 13th March, ON THE RACE COURSE, BY KIND PERMISSION OF THE JOCKEY CLUB.

The following will be the Open Events:—

1.—HALF-MILE RACE, open to the Services, Volunteers and Police.

2.—A MILE RACE.

3.—HIGHLAND FLING.

4.—SWORD DANCE.

5.—PIPPERS COMPETITION open to the World, Entrance, 50 Cents (to play quick

# THE CHINA MAIL.

No. 8166.—MARCH 8, 1889.

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## Mails.



STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG,  
COLOMBO, ADEN, PORT SAID,  
MALTA, MARSEILLES,  
GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANCONA,  
VENICE, PLYMOUTH AND  
LONDON;  
ALSO,  
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA  
AND AUSTRALIA.  
N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills  
of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN  
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES,  
TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK  
AND BOSTON.  
SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMERS  
to PEKIN, Captain P. HARRIS, with  
Her Majesty's Miss, will be dispatched  
from this for LONDON, and BOMBAY,  
and SUEZ CANAL on WEDNESDAY,  
13th March, 1889, at 11 a.m.  
Cargo will be received on board until  
4 p.m. on the day before sailing.  
Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office  
until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing.  
Silk and Valuables in Europe will be  
transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General  
Cargo for London will be conveyed via  
Boulogne without transhipment, arriving one  
week later than by the ordinary direct route  
via Colombo.

For further Particulars regarding  
FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the  
PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVI-  
GATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.  
The Contents and Value of Packages are  
required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to  
note the terms and conditions of the Com-  
pany's Black Bills of Lading.

Passengers desirous of insuring their bag-  
gage can do so on application at the Com-  
pany's Office.

E. L. WOODIN,  
Superintendent,  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, March 2, 1889. 405

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.  
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. MAIL STEAMSHIP CITY  
OF SYDNEY will be despatched  
for San Francisco, via Yokohama on  
WEDNESDAY, the 13th March, at 1 p.m.,  
taking Passengers and Freight for Japan,  
the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-  
portation to Yokohama and other Japan  
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and  
Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-  
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and  
Deemer, and to ports in Mexico, Central  
and South America, by the Company's and  
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage—Tickets granted to  
England, France, and Germany by all  
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Firs-class Fares granted as follows:—

To San Francisco ... \$200.00

To San Francisco and return ... 350.00

To Manila for 6 months ... 325.00

To Liverpool ... 330.00

To London ... 330.00

To other European points at proportionate  
rates. Special reduced rates granted to  
Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service  
and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be  
obtained on application.

Passengers by this Line have the option  
of proceeding overland by the Southern  
Pacific and connecting Lines, Central Pacific  
Co., Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific  
Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-  
embarking at San Francisco for China or  
Japan (not vice versa) within one year will be  
allowed a reduction of 10%. This allowance  
does not apply to through fares from China  
and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4  
p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel  
Packages will be received at the office until  
5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages  
should be marked to address in full; value  
of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo  
destined to points beyond San Francisco,  
in the United States, should be sent to the  
Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes,  
addressed to the Collector of Customs at San  
Francisco.

For further information as to "Passage  
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

O. D. HARMAN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, February 21, 1889. 384

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

### NOTICE.

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,  
SUEZ, PORT SAID,  
BRINDISI, GENOA,  
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,  
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK  
SEA & BALTIQ PORTS;

ALSO,  
BALTIMORE, NEW YORK, BOSTON,  
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,  
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PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL  
AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS  
AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills  
of Lading for the principal places in  
RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 17th day of March,  
1889, at 10 a.m., the Company's  
Steamship Suezon, Capt. V. GASSEL,  
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,  
and CARGO, will leave this port as above,  
calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till  
Noon, Cargo will be received on board  
until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 1 p.m.  
on the 16th March, 1889. (Parcels are  
not to be sent on board; they must be  
left at the Adm. Office.) Contents and  
Value of Packets are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation  
and carries a Doctor and Stewards.  
For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, February 18, 1889. 310

## To Let.

TO LET.  
(With Early Possession.)  
NOS. 1, 2 & 4, QUEEN'S GARDENS.  
Apply to  
G. C. ANDERSON,  
13, Praya Central,  
Hongkong, January 25, 1889. 147

TO LET.  
THE Whole or Part of the SECOND  
FLOOR of our Office Premises, very  
suitable for OFFICES. Possession from 1st  
May.  
MELCHERS & CO.,  
Praya Central.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1889. 416

TO LET.  
(Entry 1st March next.)  
N. O. 3, WEST TERRACE.  
Apply to  
G. C. ANDERSON,  
13, Praya Central,  
Hongkong, January 29, 1889. 175

TO LET.  
ROOMS in "COLLEGE CHAMBERS."  
Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, Sons & Co.  
Hongkong, December 12, 1888. 304

TO LET.  
N. O. 2, MORRISON HILL.  
Entry 1st April.  
Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,  
13, Praya Central.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1889. 363

TO LET.  
PRAK—LA HACIENDA, formerly  
occupied by Sir GEORGE PHILLIPS  
Captain of the  
MASONIC BALL.

ALL PERSONS having ACCOUNTS  
against the GENERAL COMMITTEE are  
particularly requested to send them to the  
Under-signed, on or before the 15th INSTANT,  
at 4 p.m., after which date NO CLAIM  
will be ENTERTAINED.

SUBSCRIBERS to the BALL may not have  
offices or places of business in the  
Colony, will greatly assist by forthwith  
SENDING the AMOUNT of their Sub-  
scriptions to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W.  
H. GASKELL, at the Hongkong & Shanghai  
Banking Corporation, no collection will be  
greatly facilitated thereby.

ALF. WOOLLEY,  
Hon. Secretary,  
MASONIC BALL COMMITTEE.  
Hongkong, March 8, 1889. 418

TO LET.  
2ND FLOOR of HOUSE, No. 64, QUEEN'S  
ROAD CENTRAL.

1 session from 1st April next.  
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NO LAI HING & Co.,  
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1889. 357

NOTICE.

CHAS. J. GAUFY & Co.,  
Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,  
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.

NAUTICAL SCIENTIFIC AND  
METEOROLOGICAL  
INSTRUMENTS.

WUOLANDER'S CELEBRATED  
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A splendid collection of the latest  
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NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are  
respectfully informed that, if upon  
their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of  
the Company's FOREMEN should be at  
hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the  
HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will  
receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found  
necessary, Communication with the Under-  
signed is requested, when immediate steps  
will be taken to rectify the cause of dis-  
satisfaction.

D. GILLIES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1888. 418

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FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.  
MODERATE FEES.

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A T the urgent request of his European  
and American patients and friends,  
has TAKEN THIS OFFICE formerly oc-  
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No. 2, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.  
Solo Address.

2, DUDDELL STREET,  
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Hongkong, January 12, 1888. 66

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR  
CHINESE.

RESIDENTS in the Colony would  
materially aid the SENATE of the  
COLLEGE by forwarding to the AN-  
CIENT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

(1). Glass Jars (for museum purposes),

(2). Illustrated Papers and Books for  
Student's Reading Room and Library.

Address to  
JAMES CANTLIE,  
Hon. Sec. to the College.

Hongkong, August 7, 1888. 1817

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

8 to 10 a.m. every quarter of an hour.

12 " 2 p.m. half hour.

3 " 7 " quarter of an hour.

THURSDAYS.

10.40 a.m. 12.15 to 3 p.m. every half hour.

3 to 7 p.m. every quarter of an hour.

SUNDAYS.

10.40 a.m. 12.15 to 3 p.m. every hour.

Special CARS may be obtained on appli-  
cation to the SUPERINTENDENT.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars; Five-  
Cent Coupons and REDUCED TICKETS at the  
Office.

MAGBEN, FRICK & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, January 3, 1889.

## Insurances.

QUEEN'S LIFE INSURANCE COM-  
PANY.  
THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above  
Company, are prepared to ACCEPT  
RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

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Hongkong, July 15, 1887. 1340

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THE Whole or Part of the SECOND  
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Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

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(Entry 1st March next.)

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G. C. ANDERSON,  
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Hongkong, January 29, 1889. 175

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N. O. 3, WEST TERRACE.

The Manila authorities have issued a notice to the effect that all vessels arriving from Siam will have to undergo 10 days' observation at Mariveles.

Seven licensed boat-owners were brought before Mr. Pollock to-day charged with obstructing the harbour fairway. They were fined \$2.50 each.

A rice-cricket match will be commenced at 11 a.m. to-morrow, if there are a sufficient number of names in the lists, which are now lying in the Cricket Pavilion and in the Hongkong Club.

We beg to remind our readers of the Police Club Races, which will be held to-morrow afternoon on the Race Course. The first event is set for 2.45 p.m., and the Clerk of Scales will be at his post at 2.15 p.m. Colonel Forbes-Robertson and the Officers of the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders have kindly permitted their Band to attend.

A voracious Chinaman was sentenced by Mr. Pollock to-day to four days' imprisonment and a whipping of ten strokes for a somewhat impudent theft. An Annamite named Yuen Kong To, and described as a "minister," was going to a joss-house at Bowring's; this morning when his turban, valued at seven dollars, was snatched off his head by the prisoner, who bolted with the prize but ran into the arms of a policeman.

In the case of the coolie who was crushed to death on Wednesday by the fall of an embankment which he and others had been undermining, it has not been decided after all that the case was one of "accidental death." Mr. Wodehouse, after a careful inquiry into the matter this morning, boldly decided that the deceased had come by his death by reason of a quantity of earth falling on top of him. This finding is no doubt strictly correct, as it is clear that the coolie was killed in that way, but it can hardly be considered quite satisfactory.

The evidence was of the kind usual in these cases, showing that the coolies were working in a manner contrary to orders and that nobody was responsible. Why somebody should not be responsible in such cases is somewhat strange. Not only does it appear that no precautions were taken against an occurrence of this kind, but that the coolies were allowed to proceed with their work in their own way, which means that they practically did everything that was necessary to bring about just what happened.

The BOOM IN THE TONKIN COAL COMPANY'S SHIPS  
THE WINES SHIPPED BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

The following report of a visit made by M. Richard, Governor-General of Indo-China, to the mines at Hon-ky and Etien belonging to the Société des Charbonnages de Tonkin, is translated from *Le Courier d'Haiphong*:

Nobody is ignorant of the singular rumours that were spread some time ago about the Société des Charbonnages de Tonkin. They originated in the *Journal de Tonkin*, then found their way to France, where the Paris journal *Le Monde* accepted them. M. Kœnig, a naval engineer who visited Tonkin and discovered the mine was only the willing to believe the reports. M. Richard has not visited the mine within the fixed time. His right hand therefore lapsed, and the concession of the coal mines of Hon-ky, Ha-ku and Cam-pao ought to be withdrawn from him. As to the Company formed by him, it is now standing in itself, an English Company. Its English shareholders are large shareholders of the coal mines in Australia and Japan; and in order to put end to all competition from the coal found in the Bay of along they took the affair over for their own account. They will either not work the mines at all or work them very badly. It is the case of Tonkin! The country will be deprived of a source of large revenue which could have been used in the most judicious and judicious manner in the cause of which the development is so slow.

The LATEST STORY FROM KHARTOUM.—The trader who arrived at Soakin in the Times correspondent has known personally for many years as a merchant from Jeddah, of Indian extraction. His statements are trustworthy. He relates the following facts:—He has traded seven years in the Soakin, residing chiefly at Gadarid, collecting gum. All his property was taken by the Mahdists for their religious treasury. He lately visited Khartoum, and left there at the end of November. In the middle of October a steamer arrived from Egypt, south of Lado, bringing three officers believed to be Egyptians, from a frontier outpost of Eritrea, with about 100 black-skinned slaves, and four tons of ivory. This garrison had surrendered to the Mahdists four days earlier. The trader positively declared the English had captured him, and heard that he had gone to the south. He has no European relatives or friends. He believes the Mahdi will never conquer the Egyptian provinces, and confirms the reports of defeat of the dervishes by El Sennar's forces and the capture of Fasher. He believes the Khalifa cannot hold Khartoum long. The dervishes' rule is detested everywhere, and the tribes are longing for a Government and to return to the "true religion." He holds that 3,000 troops could conquer the Sudan from the dervishes. The sultans are collecting forces for an attack on Dongola with difficulty, the tribesmen are constantly deserting, Khartoum is ruined. The Christian churches are destroyed to build a mosque on the site of the Mahdi's tomb at Omdurman. Misery and poverty exist everywhere.

There has now been time for men to form a fairly accurate judgment as to the nature of the Constitution promulgated on the 1st ultimo, and as to the extent of the privileges it confers on the people. The general verdict, we believe, is exceedingly favorable. Reality generally fell short of expectation, but in this instance expectation had not been unduly fostered.

On the contrary, by exercising proper caution and taking care that nothing like a revolution should be allowed between the first and second Constitutional Government, and the final steps to incorporate it, Japanese statesmen had brought the country to a moderate frame of mind, and educated the conviction that a leap from feudalism to representative government, with only the stepping-stones of a still somewhat feudal bureaucracy, was of no service to serious peril. Probably up to the 10th of last month, nine hundred and ninety-nine out of every thousand Japanese believed that the share of power to be vested in the people by the Decree of the 11th, would be not only small, but also so hedged round with conditions as to dim the still further in the exercise. The Constitution actually promulgated is therefore an agreeable surprise. For though it still falls far short of the standard set up by Japanese statesmen, it does undoubtedly confer a substantial measure of political power, and does undeniably change the shape of Government in Japan from an irresponsible monarchy to a limited monarchy.—*Japan Mail*.

#### THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO. LIMITED.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of this company was held in the Hongkong Hotel to-day. There were present: Messrs. Dr. McCullagh (Chairman), F. Dowdall, A. de Remond (Directors), Hon. P. Byrne, A. G. Staines, F. Henderson, S. S. Benjamin, S. K. Danby, J. F. C. de Rosa, C. A. O'Brien, and E. Lyall, (Secretary).

The Chairman, Mr. G. G. Gentlemen, with your permission I shall take the report and accounts as read. There is little to add to what is in the report. The poor result for the years, as stated, due to the accident to the premises last April, which has caused the company a very heavy loss, and one that can only be recovered by the loss and depreciation from that accident is now past. When the new wing is in working order the Directors have every reason to believe that a very considerable benefit will be gained in the Hotel's working account, from what we have seen. The business of the company is steadily improving and is likely to do so year by year. The Flora Bedlam scheme having been settled, this company will in common with other machine tool-holders, reap very material benefit. I don't think there is anything more to add, but if there are any questions to be asked, I shall be glad to answer them.

The Chairman said: You seem to have no objection to my proposing that the report and accounts as printed be passed.

Mr. Benjamin seconded and the motion was carried.

The Chairman.—The next business is the re-election of Messrs. Dowdall and Staines as Directors.

Mr. Byrne.—I beg to propose that Messrs. Dowdall and E. Jones Hughes be re-elected Directors.

Mr. Staines seconded and the motion was adopted.

Mr. Benjamin proposed the re-election of Messrs. J. H. Cox and F. Henderson as auditors.

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